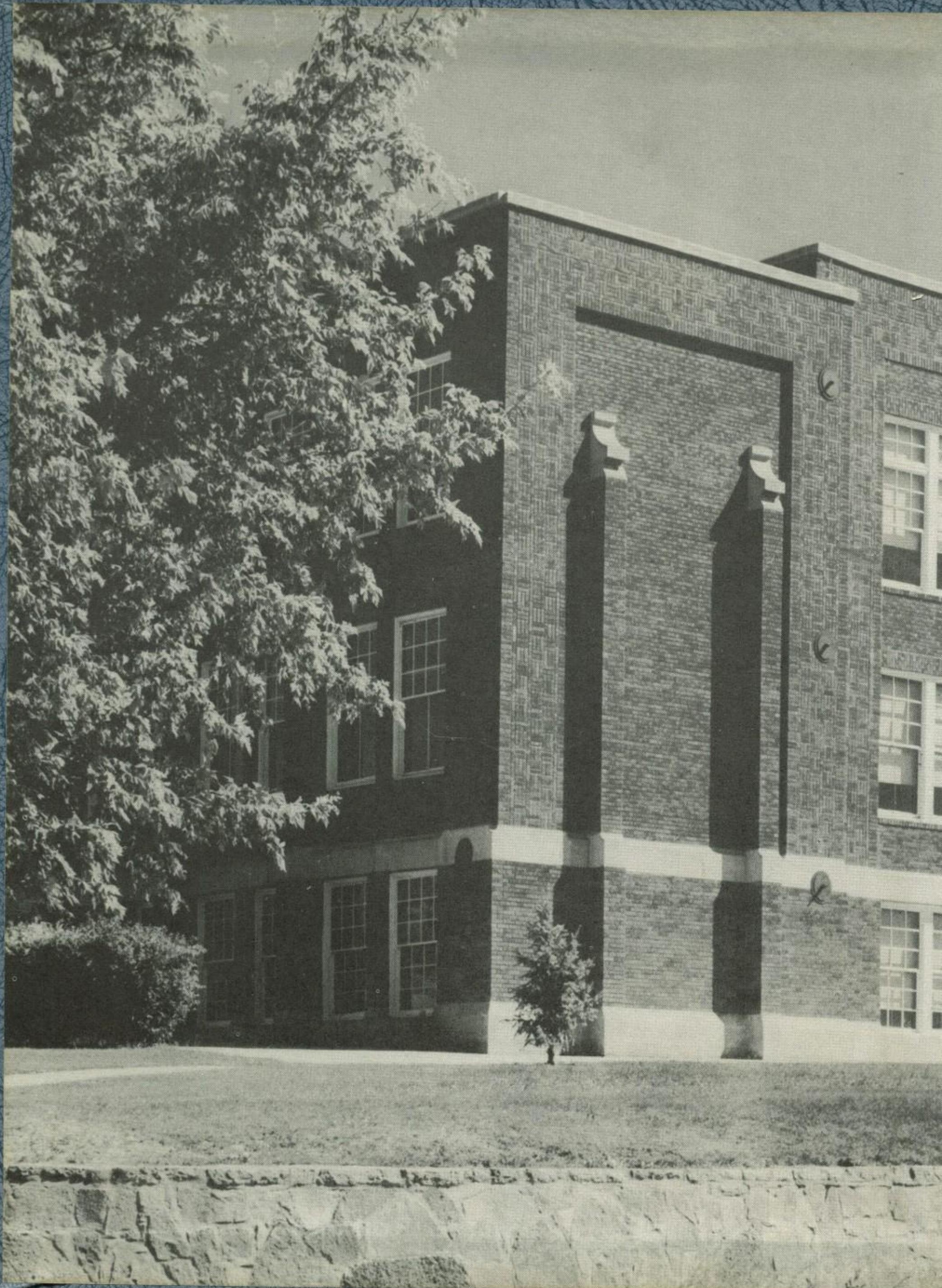


# *Spartan*

1956











Dear Carolyn,

It seems like our high school years are just flying by, doesn't it? But oh what a time we have getting through it all.

Don't forget all the fun we've had in gym class.

Remember how you and I were always disagreeing on things. Oh what fun.

Well Hannon I hope you have all good luck in your next ~~3~~ years of high school.

Well another little thought - don't forget me.

Lotza Love,  
Lettie Evans.

Hi Lover:

I hope you only have one boy friend?

Love  
Bob.

THIS BOOK BELONGS TO:

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# Foreword



SEPTEMBER



OCTOBER



NOVEMBER



MAY



APRIL

January to December,  
We'll have MOMENTS TO RE-  
MEMBER.  
The New Year's Eve we did the  
town,  
The day we tore the goalposts  
down,  
We will have these MOMENTS  
TO REMEMBER.  
The quiet walks, the noisy fun,  
The ballroom prize we almost  
won,  
We will have these MOMENTS  
TO REMEMBER.  
Tho' summer turns to winter  
And the present disappears,  
The laughter we were glad to  
share  
Will echo thru the years.  
When other nights and other  
days  
May find us gone our sep'rate  
ways,  
We will have these MOMENTS  
TO REMEMBER.



DECEMBER



MARCH



FEBRUARY



JANUARY





## We Dedicate---

Dear Miss Stordahl,

There is possibly no one person who has a greater part in the orientation of our individual high school career than you. As seventh graders we were literally thrilled and slightly frightened at the prospect of entering Spearfish High School for the first time. But under your guidance and supervision we soon became familiar with school routine, and the next two years seemed to fly by with little difficulty.

The compliment you gave on a new dress or shirt made the day a little brighter and cheerier. Your friendly attitude made the lessons easier, and in later years we could rely on your basic training helping us through a difficult subject.

Your sincere smile and even a sly wink as we passed you in the halls as upper classmen made us confident of your friendship and offered us the chance for "Moments to Remember."

To you, Agnes Stordahl, in remembrance and appreciation of your individual part in each of our high school memories, we dedicate this 1956 Spartan.

The Spartan Staff.





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Spearfish High School completed another successful and worth-while year under the supervision of Superintendent E. C. Mikkelsen, pictured here with Mrs. Mikkelsen and son, Morris.

# The A d m i n i s t r a t i o n



Principal Ben B. Burris contributed a great deal to the school year with his instruction and guidance. Pictured here are Mr. Burris with his family David, Carol, Charles, Mrs. Burris, and Connie.



# Moments To Remember

Lyrics by  
AL STILLMAN

Tune Uke  
A D F# B

Music by  
ROBERT ALLEN

Verse  
(Rubato)

Em Em7 Em6

Jan-u-ar-y to De-cem-ber, We'll have M

*mp*

Chorus-Moderately slow (with feeling)

Gmaj7 G6 Gmaj7 G6

The New Year's Eve we did the town.



Gdim G Gmaj7 G6

MEM - BER. The qui - et walks, the

Gmaj7 G6 G G+

nois - y fun, the ball room prize



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# Seniors

Jean Anderson

Bob Antrim

Izora Bailey



Robert Belden



Bunny Bekken



Preparing for graduation are Vice-president Al Larive and President Bob Belden looking on as Secretary-treasurer Georgia Soliday models a cap and gown.



Jo Blue

James Castonguay

Joy Christensen



Kay Clem

Marcelline Comes

Ruthe Compton



Stella Corean

Carol DeHaai



Coleen Dittus

Kay Eddy



Richard Ellis

Arlys Erickson

Carolyn Ford





Jim Gadsden

John Gillispie

Glenda Gilman



Gloria Gilman

Eugene Gordon



JoAnn Hanson

Shirley Hebert

Dava Jo Heigh

Cora Sue Henwood

Teddy L. Hovland





Ann Hurtt

Vernelle Ice

Jerry Jeffery



Representing Spearfish at the annual sessions of Girls State at Mitchell, and Boys state at Aberdeen last summer were Jerry Wickstrom, Joy Christensen, James Weaver, and Jo Blue.

David James Johnson  
"Jim"



Dorothy Julius



Lois Ann Jones Kellogg

Roger D. Kromarek







Albert Larive

Alberta Larive

George Larive



William Lee



Charles Lewton



Joy Christensen, standing, was selected for the DAR citizenship award of SHS. Other candidates chosen by the seniors for the honor were Carol De Haai, Rochelle Noss, and Ann Hurtt.

Oscar M. Lund

Luella Mattson

Lawrence Mitchell

Amy L. MacDonald





Rochelle Noss

Jacqueline Olsen

Ivan N. Richmond



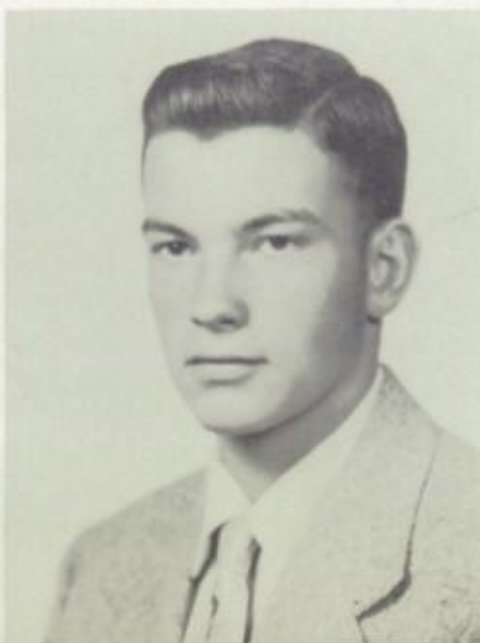
Bryce W. Sager

Gene Shuck



Janice Shuck

Donna K. Smith



Sharon Smythe

Georgia Ann Soliday

Donald Sturis





Clifford J. Ullarich



Rosalie Vance



Ella V. Vaughn



James Weaver



Jerry Wickstrom

Closing the final chapter in the book of "memories" the seniors find themselves looking back at the many events which have taken place during their years at SHS. Among these are their junior and senior plays and their banquet and prom which provided a lovely "Evening in Paris."

"Though other nights and other days may find us gone our separate ways, we will have these moments to remember."



Triple Trio completed a fifth and last year of singing together. The senior "songsters" presented their final number for class day, "Moments to Remember."





Mrs. Nadine Fidler, pictured at left, serves as secretary to Supt. E. C. Mikkelsen, and also is clerk of the Board of Education. Principal Ben Burris is shown with his secretary, Carol Alger, a junior in SHS.



Many "moments to remember" have elapsed between the sixth grade and graduation for all the seniors. Three seniors, "Peachy" Soliday, Jacquie Olsen, and Jim Gadsden, are shown here as they were in sixth grade, and shortly before graduation.

Shown reading the newly distributed LOOK-OUT, student newspaper, are Ella Vaughn, Fay Bunney, Mike Pavey, Dennis Bobier, Mary Nicholas, and Wayne Wendel.







Junior Play props are checked over by officers, Vice-President, Tom Campbell; President, John Kinyon; Secretary-Treasurer, Sharon Buttemeier.

## Juniors

Through careful planning and preparation, the Junior Class has provided "Moments" for us all to remember. Funds rasied by a successful Junior play, and by the efficient handling of the concession stand at games, led to this year's wonderful Junior-Senior Prom that will provide a challenge for the future Juniors. The Class of '57 show themselves very capable of taking over the leadership of school.

Jerry Ainsworth  
Carol Alger  
Kenny Anderson  
Elizabeth Ausmann



Roger Bell  
Bill Brown  
Aletha Buchholz  
Marjory Burnham



Sharon Buttemeier  
Mike Butterfield  
Tom Campbell  
Verla Carstensen



Ilene Christofferson  
Merlyn Christofferson  
Martha Clark  
Bob Collins





Karen Crowner  
 Mary Ellen DeHaai  
 Roger Dingeman  
 Richard Dodd



LeRoy Draine  
 Dorothy Hollis  
 Jiliris Holst  
 Carroll Hurd



Bonita Kelley  
 Kathleen Kennedy  
 John Kinyon  
 Mary Ann Larson



Not pictured: Sarah Fillmore, Michael Pavey.



Irene Lawrence  
 George Lewton  
 Jim McCleave  
 Bill McGuigan  
 JoAnn McLaughlin



Gary Miller  
 Larry Nelson  
 Emily Norlin  
 Lorna Oltmans  
 Ted Peterson



Darlene Preszler  
 Larry Roberts  
 Gwen Shoun  
 Betty Solaas  
 Jerry Trier



Leo Ullarich  
 Venita Willey  
 Karen White  
 Richard White  
 Phil Wyne



# Sophomores

Seated are President, Gay McVey; Vice-President, Carla Curnow; and standing is Secretary-Treasurer, Morris Mikkelsen.



As "the present disappears" the Class of '58 has many "moments to remember." In planning their Apron and Overall school party and in participating in all other school activities, the Sophomores set high standards for their class and other classes.

Grace Abraham  
James Anderson  
Lynn Anthony  
Ralph Ausmann  
Edwin Baker  
Jerry Banning



Jay Betts  
Judy Black  
Dennis Bobler  
Susan Boos  
Donnie Bridges  
Fay Bunney



Gerald Brothers  
Donna Burckhard  
Roger Busse  
Bob Butterfield  
Don Christofferson  
Karen Collins



Mary Craig  
Mary-Esther Crawford  
LaVon Cundy  
Carla Curnow  
Carl Doranleau  
Junior Donner



James Dorsett  
Bettie Evans  
Thomas Furois  
Phyllis Gibson  
Carolyn Harrington  
Karen Johnson





Ralph Johnson  
Steve Jones  
Mike Kelley  
Connie Knutson  
Lynn McCain



Gay McVey  
Nicky Marchianda  
Tom Matthews  
Jim Matson  
John Ed Matson



Morris Mikkelsen  
Myrtle Miles  
Bee Mitchell  
Charles Nicholas  
Wesley Orr



Steve Polley  
Betty Peterson  
Faye Quillian  
Mildred Preszler  
Duane Roddick



Ronnie Riggs  
Jerry Rygg  
Stephen Sisk  
Barbara Soliday  
Leo Sprigler



Bonnie Steele  
Joe Termes  
Glenn Varney  
Bernie Wanhnen  
Don Weidner



Wayne Wendel  
David Wickstrom  
Dale Wilson  
Sharon Winter  
Joan Wolf





## Freshmen

The Freshman Class entered SHS participating in all phases of the school activities--sports, dramatics, clubs, music and parties. As this year's largest class, they began the job of preparing for their important Junior year by presenting a one-act play, "The Ugly Duckling". Whether "Quiet walks, or noisy fun" the Freshmen have the vitality and vivaciousness for a top notch class.

Looking over vocational files for career booklets are freshman Secretary-treasurer Mary Seeley, President Mary Kinyon, and Vice-president Charles Matson.

Bonnie Baker  
Dennis Bekken  
Janet Berg  
Jack Betts  
Robert Biegler  
Sharon Bridges



Jean Carlson  
Ranny Christensen  
Nadine Christianson  
Charlene Clem  
Edith Dorsett  
Marjorie Dorsett



Richard DuBois  
Bob Edwards  
Jerry Erickson  
Harriet Farrell  
Margaret Frasier  
Ronald Gibson



Judie Gilman  
Pat Goodwin  
Gary Gurwell  
Mary Kay Hanson  
Daniel Harrington  
Arlene Hoff



Marlene Hoff  
Wayne Jeffrey  
Launi Johnson  
Betty Jean Kapsa  
Donald Kasson  
Larry Kellogg





Mary Kinyon  
Harlan Lahti  
Catherine Larson  
Wayne Lewis  
Phyllis Luth  
Gerald McInerney



Don McClelland  
David McClure  
Charles Matson  
Jean Miles  
Dorothy Mitchell  
Iva Jean Nelson



Mary Nicholas  
Arlene Oster  
Mary Repass  
Patricia Riley  
Jackie Robinson  
Cynthia Sampson



Sherry Schaub  
Tyrone Scheidt  
Mary Seeley  
Robert Shoun  
Melvin Shuck  
Joseph Sprigler



Barbara Stam  
John Sullivan  
John Sunderland  
Leslie Tenke  
Kaye Turgeon  
Merle Varland



Kay Ward  
Mersch Ward  
Colleen Weaver  
Thomas Wendt  
David Whitlock  
Jerry Wiezorek



Judie Wilcox  
Lani Wingfield  
Arvin Wright  
Gussie Wright  
Nancy Wyne  
Ruth Zitting





TOP ROW: Gary Hood, Jerry Ellingson, Clarence Riggs, Eugene Findley, Kathy Matthews, Marjorie Nelson, Dennis Steensgaard, John Porter, Price Hunter.

THIRD ROW: Virginia Troyer, Sharon Karrels, Joan Calvert, Margaret Compton, Patricia DeVries, Pearl Wolf, Linda Mattson, Patsy Wood, Helen Hurd, Carol Knutson.

SECOND ROW: James Thompson, Fred Sipe, Royce Luth, Donald Ainsworth, Harlan Draine, Richard Termes, Thomas Parker, Douglas Erickson, Glen Pummel.

FIRST ROW: DeLores Bertalot, Celeste Porter, Louise Orr, Donna Capan, Marlene Frison, Verla Anthony, Sarah Kay Roberts, Connie Lewton, Carolyn Loop, Roberta McGregor.

NOT PICTURED: John Lund.

## Eighth Grade

Looking forward to their first year of high school, the eighth grade is well on the way to taking over the role of freshmen. "To remember" are the many school functions in which they participated.



Seated are Vice-president Patricia DeVries, President Kathy Matthews, Secretary-treasurer Marjorie Nelson.





TOP ROW: Myra Marr, Sandra Calvert, Mary Sampson, Rita Kay Wolf, Kathryn Frasier, Barbara Weidner, Jesse Hoese, Vicki Stump, Bonnie Cressman, Mary Louise Burkley, Beverly Keene, Helen Edwards.  
 THIRD ROW: Kenneth Carlson, Terry Ford, Leslie Turgeon, Von Dahl, Edward Sprigler, Richard Schmeltzer, Clifford Hanson, Ronald Matson, Larry Bell, John Mattson, Terry Linander.  
 SECOND ROW: Kenneth Martin, Daniel Gurwell, Robert Anderson, Dennis Blake, David Dingeman, Myron Johnson, Thomas Findley, Roger King, Bill Donner, Hans Pedersen, LeRoy Preszler, Bill Edwards, Michael Abraham.  
 FIRST ROW: Sherry McLaughlin, Kathryn Thompson, Karen Gregson, Helen Giltner, Barbara Rothmeyer, Betty Wolf, Judith Brothers, Cheryl Ice, Judy Sager, Jane Clark, Mary Ann Capan, Sharon Braun, Carol Sebastian, Dorothy Ullarich.  
 NOT PICTURED: Larry Karinen, Allen McClelland.

## Seventh Grade

In their first year at Spearfish High School the seventh graders have taken an active part in all school activities. Among their big "moments" were the first school party and the campaigning for offices.

Pictured are Dennis Blake, Secretary-treasurer, and Myra Marr, President.





# Student Council

In 1955-56 the local student council had many "moments to remember." Jim Johnson, president of the SHS Council, was president, and Joy Christensen was secretary of the South Dakota Association of High School Student Councils. Spearfish was host to the members of the West River District for the biennial convention.

Shown preparing for the Convention are Dick Ellis, vice-president; Noel Wallace, advisor; Jim Johnson, president; Ann Hurtt, secretary-treasurer.



Homecoming is dear to all hearts, and is the responsibility of the Student Council. Decorating the "Queen's Heart" are Dick Termes, Gary Miller, Karen Gregson, and LaVon Cundy,



The Student Council shows Christmas Spirit as David Whitlock, Larry Bell, Mary Kay Hanson, and Joy Christensen prepare to decorate the trees in the hall and auditorium.



Mike Butterfield, Joan Calvert, and Steve Polley are working on favors for the Honor Banquet, which is an annual springtime affair sponsored by the Student Council.







SHS Day is one of our fondest "Moments to Remember". Reigning over the festivities was queen Joy Christensen, with Rochelle Noss and Luella Mattson attendants. Jim Weaver was selected Marshall, and class "queens" were Marjory Burnham, junior; LaVon Cundy, sophomore; Colleen Weaver, freshman; Virginia Troyer, eighth grade. The crown bearer was Karen Gregson and her escort was Larry Bell, both seventh graders.

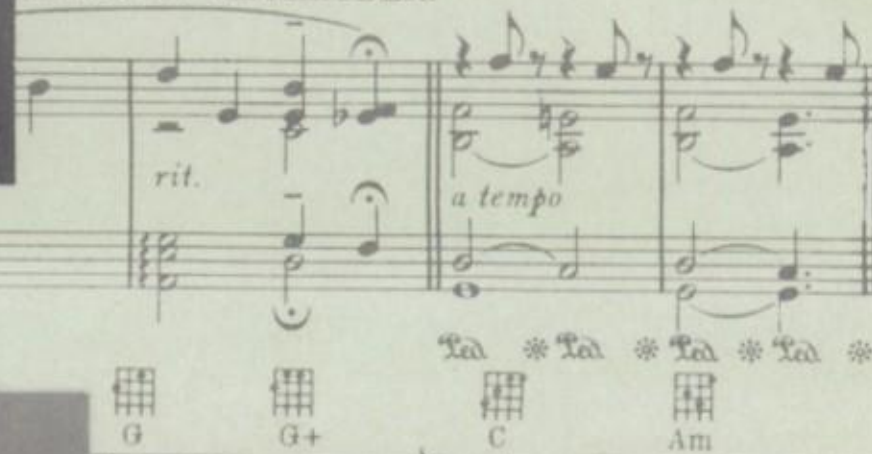
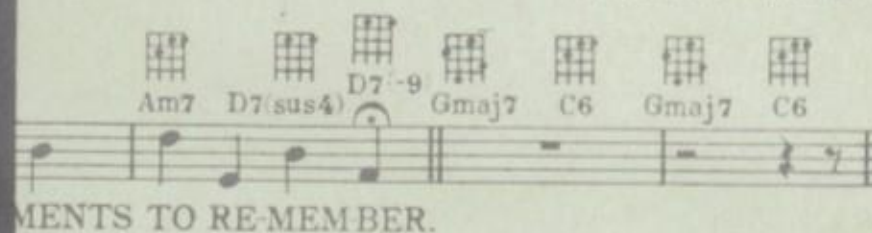






# Remember

Music by  
ROBERT ALLEN



day we tore the goal-post down,

ER. The qui-et walks, the

Chorus-Moderately slow (with feeling)

nois-y fun, the ball room prize

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# Lettermen's Club



STANDING: Bob Belden, Jim Castonquay, Richard White, Dick Ellis, Tom Campbell, Gary Miller, Jim Matson, Jerry Ainsworth, Jim Johnson.

KNEELING: Larry Roberts, John Kinyon, Roger Bell, Jim Gadsden, Richard Dodd, Larry Nelson.

SEATED: Kenny Anderson, Mike Butterfield, Bob Butterfield, Carroll Hurd, Bob Collins, Joe Termes.

NOT PICTURED: Al Larive, George Larive, George Lewton.

To become a member of Lettermen's Club, athletes must earn an "A" squad letter in one of the three major sports. This honorary organization, which this year has 24 members, is sponsored by the coaches.





We're with you team so fight  
 We're with you team so fight  
 We're with you team  
 We're with you team  
 So fight  
 Fight  
 FIGHT!

# Cheerleaders

Carol Alger  
 JoAnn Hanson  
 Carol DeHaai  
 Sharon Buttemeier  
 Jo Blue







Dick Ellis, Co-Captain



Belden



Castonguay



G. Larive

## 1955 Grid Season

Bringing the 1955 football season to a close with five wins, three losses, and one tie, Coach Dudley Melichar's Spartans captured third place in the Black Hills Conference to produce the most impressive record within the last five years.

A high point of the year for the team and its backers was the victory over the Belle Fourche Broncs, the second in fifteen years.

## A Squad Lettermen

Ainsworth

Anderson



Bell

B. Butterfield

M. Butterfield







Al Larive, Co-Captain

## A Squad

### RECORD

	WE	THEY
Gillette, Wyo.	6	0
Upton, Wyo.	25	0
Belle Fourche	19	7
Custer	25	13
Hot Springs	0	6
Deadwood	13	13
Newcastle	20	33
Lead	6	19
Sturgis	13	7

TOP ROW: Coach Dudley Melichar, Dick Ellis, Chuck Matson, Jim Anderson, Gerald McInerney, Tom Campbell, John Kinyon, Roger Bell, LeRoy Draine, Jerry Ainsworth, Assistant Coaches Gene Smith, Neil Hart.

SECOND ROW: Manager Roger Dingeman, Jim Castonguay, Albert Larive, Bob Belden, Richard White, Jerry Trier, Carroll Hurd, Morris Mikkelsen, Edwin Baker, Tom Matthews.

THIRD ROW: Bob Butterfield, Bill Brown, Wesley Orr, Jerry Rygg, Bob Collins, John Ed Matson, Mike Butterfield, George Lewton, George Larive, Jim Matson.







TOP ROW: Coach Gene Smith, Jim Matson, Wayne Jeffery, Chuck Matson, LeRoy Draine, Gerald McInerney, Tom Matthews, Steve Jones, Bob Butterfield.

SECOND ROW: Ronnie Riggs, Sherry Schaub, Merle Varland, Morris Mikkelsen, Jerry Rygg, John Ed Matson, Jerry Trier, Edwin Baker.

BOTTOM ROW: Harlan Lahti, Melvin Shuck, Dennis Bekken, Ranny Christensen, David Whitlock, Jack Betts.

The thrill of being the victorious team leaves many moments to remember in the minds of the "B" squad. These future football stars ended their season with four wins, two losses, and a lot of determination for next year.

## "B" Squad

Belle Fourche  
Belle Fourche  
Sturgis  
Sturgis  
Deadwood  
Lead

### RECORD

WE	THEY
7	0
13	0
6	0
0	6
27	12
0	16

## A Squad Lettermen



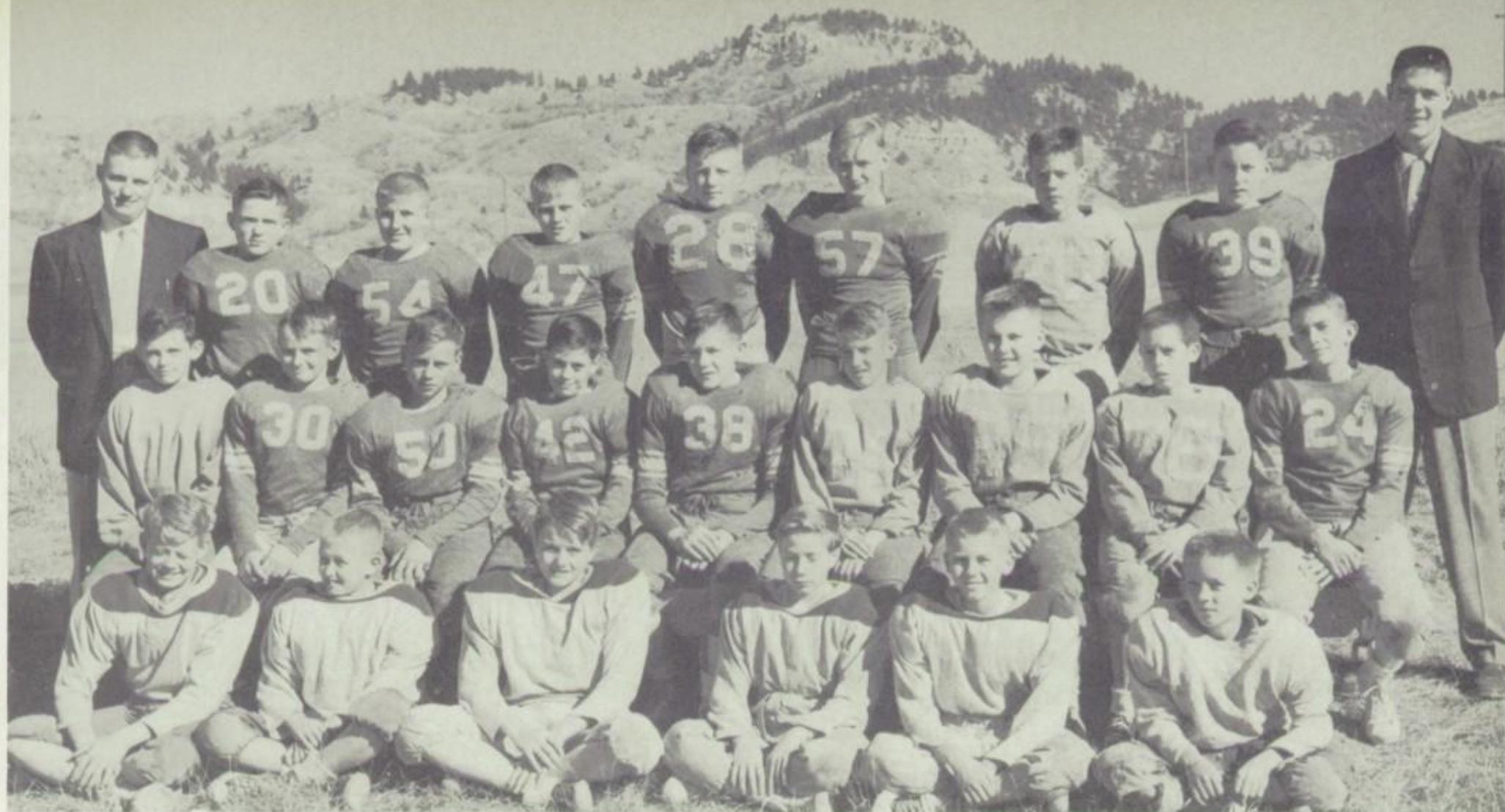
Campbell

Collins

Hurd

Kinyon





TOP ROW: Coach Neil Hart, Larry Bell, Ronald Matson, Douglas Erickson, Eugene Findley, Dennis Steensguard, Keith Riggs, Jerry Ellingson, Jim Gadsden, student assistant.

SECOND ROW: Leslie Turgeon, Donald Ainsworth, Jim Thompson, Terry Linander, Harlan Draine, Terry Ford, Fred Sipe, David Dingeman, Von Dahl.

THIRD ROW: Ed Sprigler,, Dennis Blake, John Mattson, Mike Abraham, Robert Anderson, Hans Pedersen.

## Seventh and Eighth Grade Squad

Under the guidance of Coach Neil Hart and Student Assistant Jim Gadsden the seventh and eighth grade football team completed a full season.

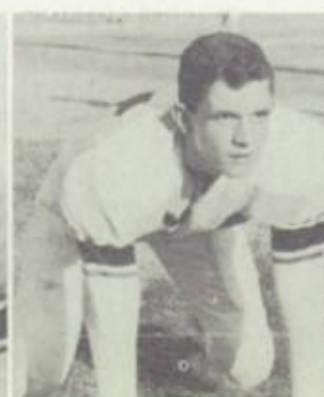
## A Squad Lettermen

Lewton

J. Matson

Miller

White





## "B" Squad



STANDING: Coach Dudley Melichar.

BACK ROW: Jim Dorsett, Chuck Matson, Gerald McInerney, Jim Matson, Tom Matthews, Joe Termes, Edwin Baker.

FRONT ROW: John Sullivan, Ranny Christensen, Bob Edwards.

With a victory over Lead by a score of 63-52, the Spearfish "B" team rounded out a better than average season with a record of 13 wins and seven losses in regular season play. Earning their way to the finals in the Sturgis invitational tournament for "B" teams and smaller schools, the little Spartans emerged runners-up, losing the championship to Piedmont by one point.

Composed of freshmen and sophomores, the "B" team's record promises a bright future for the years ahead. The four top scorers were Gerald McInerney, 225 points for the season; Jim Matson, 224; Chuck Matson, 186; Joe Termes, 170.



## "B" Squad Cheerleaders

Backing for the little Spartans was led by three energetic pepsters: Colleen Weaver, Kathy Thompson, and Nancy Wyne.





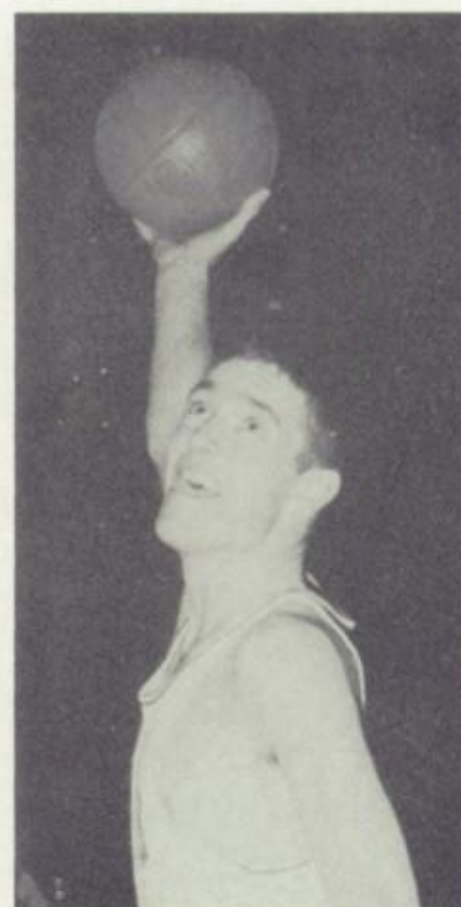
STANDING: Coach Gene Smith, Manager Gary Miller, Jerry Ainsworth, Tom Campbell, Roger Bell, Richard Dodd.  
 KNEELING: Joe Termes, Dick Ellis, Chuck Matson, Larry Roberts, Jim Gadsden, John Kinyon.  
 SEATED: Jim Matson, Al Larive.

## 1955-56 Record

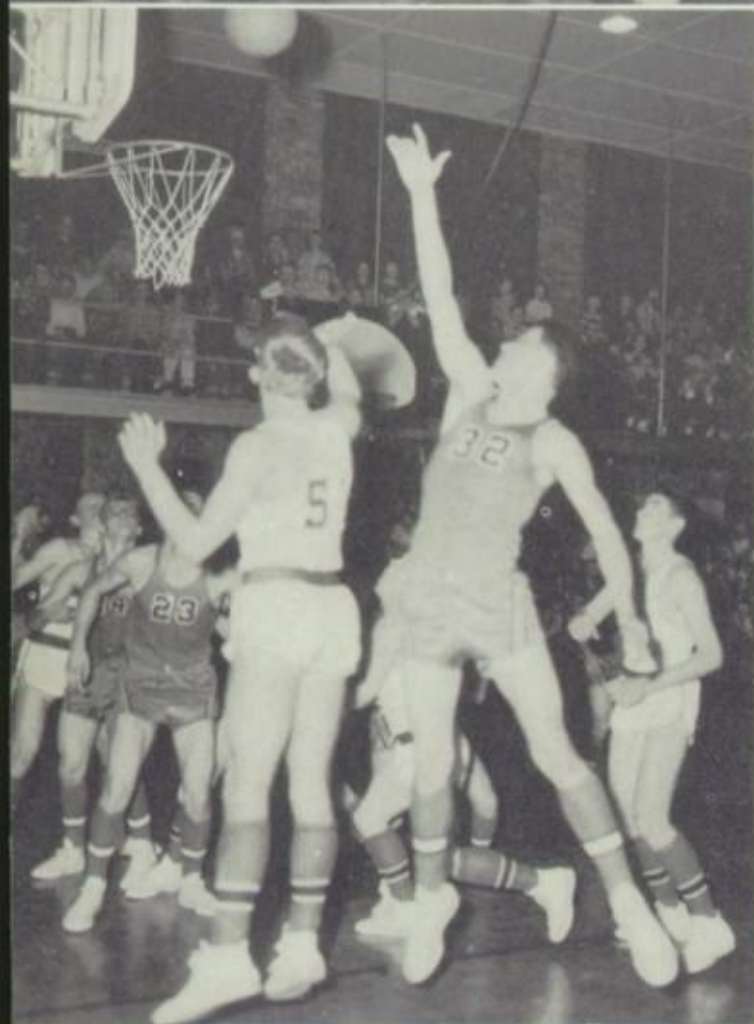
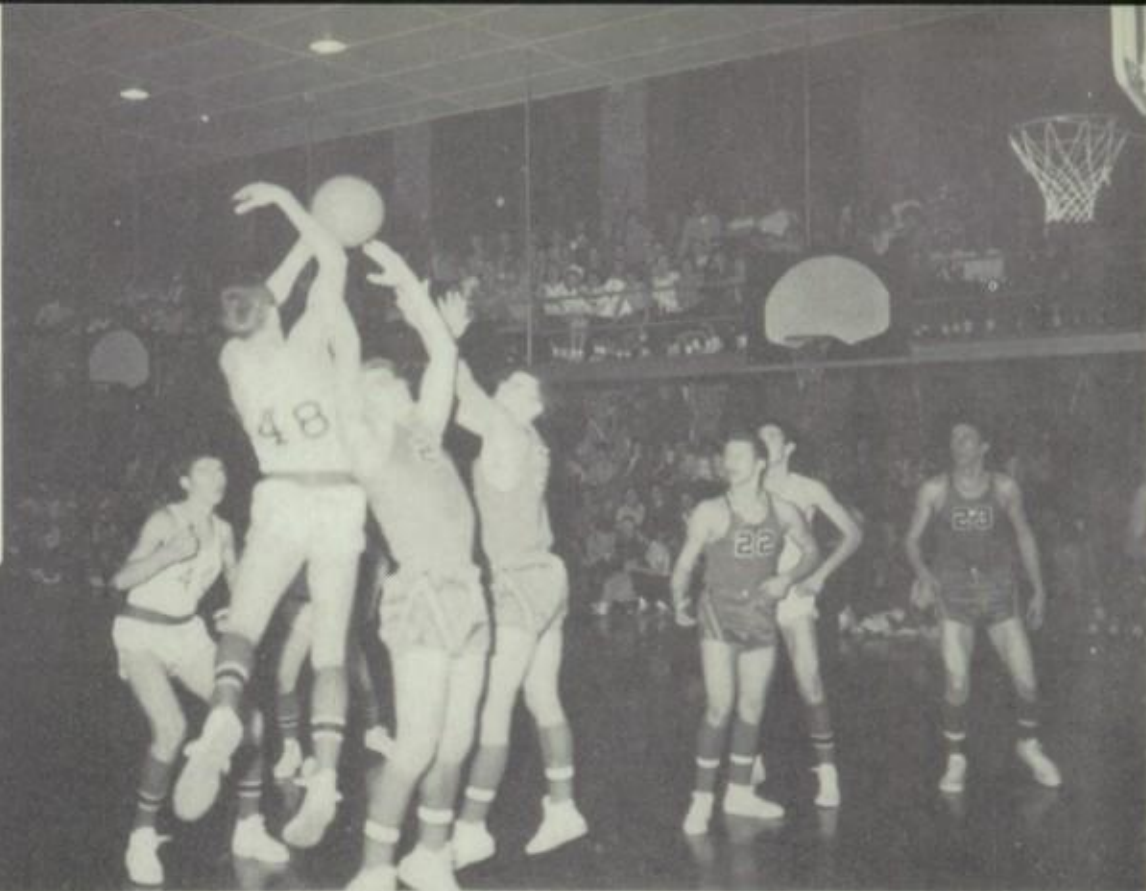
Taking consolation honors at the Section 8 Basketball Tournament in Belle Fourche, Coach Gene Smith's Spartans defeated the Sturgis Scoopers for the fourth time this season, thus ending the 1955-56 basketball campaign with a record of ten wins against fifteen losses. The Spartans added another trophy to the school earlier in the season when they took runners-up honors in the Sturgis Invitational Tournament.

Hitting in the triple figures, five boys led the scoring record for the team: Roger Bell, 307; Jim Gadsden, 303; John Kinyon, 257; Jerry Ainsworth, 214; Larry Roberts, 165.

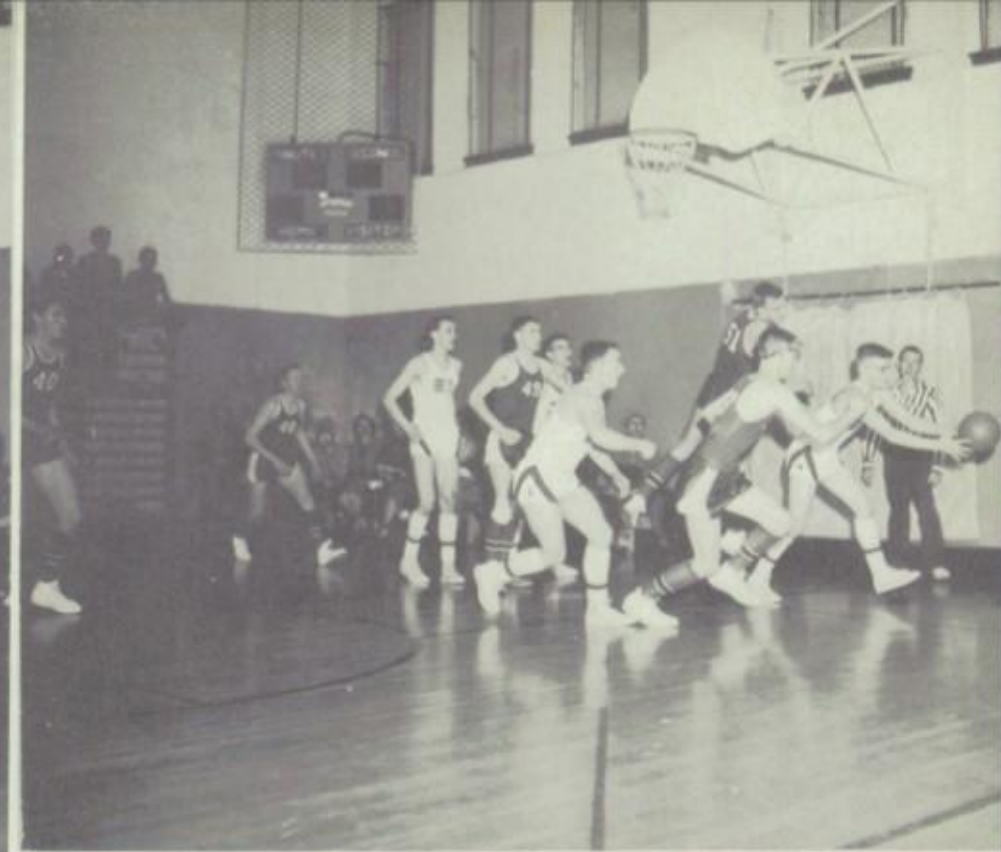
Captain for the year was Senior Jim Gadsden, pictured at the right.











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## Junior and Senior

STANDING: Carroll Hurd, Larry Nelson, Ted Hovland, Cliff Ullarich, Gary Miller, Coach Dudley Melichar.

KNEELING: Bob Belden, Mike Butterfield, George Lewton, Bob Collins, Jerry Trier.



## Freshman and Sophomore

BACK ROW: Junior Donner, John Ed Matson, Jim Anderson, Don Christofferson, Ralph Johnson, Melvin Shuck.

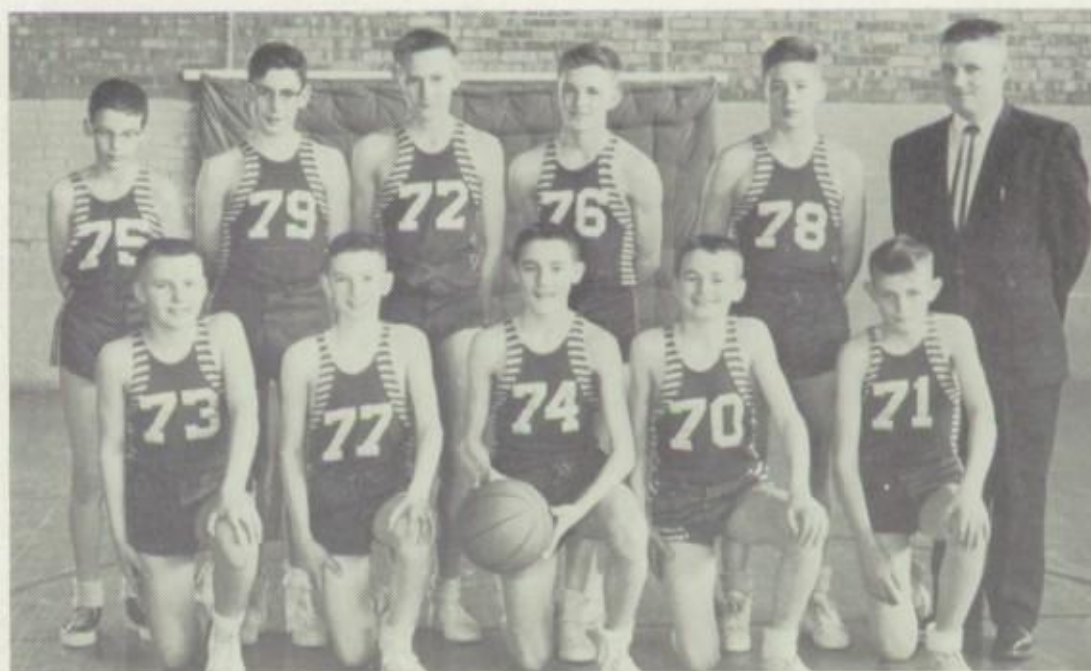
FRONT ROW: Wesley Orr, David Whitlock, David Wickstrom, Denny Bekken, Bob Beigler.

## Class Teams

### Eighth Grade

STANDING: Glen Pummel, Jerry Ellingson, Dennis Steensgaard, John Porter, Keith Riggs, Coach Neil Hart.

KNEELING: Fred Sipe, Tom Parker, Dick Termes, Donnie Ainsworth, Douglas Erickson.



### Seventh Grade

BACK ROW: Coach Neil Hart, Ronnie Matson, Ed Sprigler, Jesse Hoese, Larry Bell, Von Dahl.

FRONT ROW: Leslie Turgeon, Mike Abraham, Dennis Blake, Billy Edwards, Kenneth Carlson, Terry Linander, John Mattson.



MO-MENTS TO RE - MEM - BER.

Chords: D7, Cm, G, Fmaj7, G9



pre - sent dis - ap - pears, The laugh - ter we were glad to share will

Chords: D7, G, G7

When oth - er nights and oth

Chords: D7, Gmaj7, G6, Gmaj7

*mf*



find us gone our sep' - rate ways, We will have these MO-MENTS TO RE -

Chords: G, C, Am, D7

MEM - BER.

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# Lookout

Two reporters, Irene Lawrence and Venita Willey, are working along with the Sports Editors Tom Campbell and Roger Bell, to build a stimulating sport page.

Pictured at far right are Associate Editor Jean Anderson with art staffers Bob Collins, Kenny Anderson and Jim McCleave.



The final step in completing the Lookout is the mimeographing done by the class. Dorothy Julius, Ivan Richmond, Georgia Soliday, and Mary Ellen DeHaai are pictured at right.



Editor-in-Chief Joy Christensen with typists, Lorna Oltmans and Karen Crowner.

To bring on-the-spot accurate news to the students and faculty of Spearfish High School was the job of the 1955-56 newspaper staff. The 14 journalism students were continually alert in order to obtain any potential news which could be used in the school paper. This meant hours of work during and out-of-school to publish a permanent scrapbook of memories--The Lookout.



# Spartan Staff



"Tho' summer turns to winter and the present disappears, the laughter we were glad to share will echo thru the years" was much in the minds of the nine members of the SPARTAN Staff and adviser Mrs. Myrle Hanson, while they planned the book, labored over it, and finally brought it to completion.

Pictured on page one are Editor-in-chief Ann Hurtt, Adviser Mrs. Hanson, and Associate Editors Jo Blue, Carol DeHaai, and Jacquie Olsen. Also members of the staff were writers Joy Christensen and Jerry Wickstrom shown above; student photographer Ocsar Lund, lower left; and writers Georgia Soliday and Richard Ellis at lower right.

It was the hope of the staff in preparing the book that "When other nights and other days may find us gone our sep'rate ways, We will have these MOMENTS TO REMEMBER."







BAND MEMBERS: Michael Abraham, Lynn Anthony, Verla Anthony, Bonnie Baker, Jack Betts, Jay Betts, Jo Blue, Donnie Bridges, Donna Burckhard, Marjory Burnham, Sharon Buttemeier, Jim Castonguay, Marcelline Comes, Mary Craig, LaVon Cundy, Patty DeVries, Roger Dingeman, Coleen Dittus, Douglas Erickson, Harriet Farrell, Jim Gadsden, Eugene Gordon, Mary Kay Hanson, Carolyn Harrington, Dan Harrington, Ann Hurtt, Cheryl Ice, Vernelle Ice, Jerry Jeffery, Launi Johnson, Steve Jones, Mary Kinyon, Carol Knutson, Connie Knutson, Oscar Lund, Jim Matson, John Ed Matson, Lynn McCain, David McClure, Bill McGuigan, Morris Mikkelsen, Bee Mitchell, Rochelle Noss, Lorna Oltmans, Wesley Orr, Mary Repass, Mary Seeley, Sherry Shaub, Steven Sisk, Barbara Soliday, Jerry Trier, Rosalie Vance, Mersche Ward, David Whitlock, David Wickstrom, Jerry Wickstrom, Judy Wilcox, Joan Wolf, Nancy Wyne. BAND DIRECTOR: Lowell Krambeck.

## A Band

Concerts, challenges and performing at football games are only a few sentimental "Moments to Remember" possessed by the band. This group, under the direction of Lowell Krambeck will have many musical memoirs of by gone days.

Adding sparkle and zip to the music of the band were the highstepping Majorettes Carol DeHaai and Joy Christensen.







Vernelle Ice, SHS senior, was one of the 155 members selected for the South Dakota All State Band held at Souix Falls, out of 680 who auditioned for the honor.

Helping Mr. Krambeck plan the successful band year were the officers: John Ed Matson, secretary; Marcelline Comes, treasurer; Rochelle Noss, vice president, and Ann Hurtt president.



From the membership of "A" Band is chosen a smaller group, the Pep Band, which appears at basketball games throughout the season.



# Glee Club



The "Keynote" of the Girls Glee Club activities was the individual presentation of the vocal number at the annual Vocal Festival held at Belle Fourche April 7. Appearances of the Glee Club were at the Christmas and Spring Concerts and coronation of the SHS Day Queen. The Glee Club under the leadership of Karen Collins, librarian; Mary Kinyon, president; Sharon Winter, secretary; and Nancy Wyne, robe mistress; was directed by Charles Thielen.



TOP ROW: Judie Wilcox, Mary Kinyon, Colleen Weaver, Kay Ward, Elizabeth Ausmann, Grace Abraham, Sharon Winter, Joan Wolf, Betty Jean Kapsa, Mary Repass, Ruth Zitting, Mary Kay Hanson.

SECOND ROW: Sarah Fillmore, Gussie Wright, Mary Seeley, Harriet Farrell, Nancy Wyne, Lynn McCain, Ilene Christofferson, Jean Miles, Kathleen Kennedy, Mary Ann Larson, Venita Willey.

FIRST ROW: Janet Berg, Phyllis Gibson, Charlene Clem, Patricia Riley, Catherine Larson, Bonnie Baker, Sharon Bridges, Cynthia Sampson, Kay Clem, Karen Collins, Mary Nicholas, Gay McVey.

NOT PICTURED: Arlene Hoff.



# Choir



TOP ROW: Barbara Soliday, Mary Craig, Verla Carstensen, Carla Curnow, Lorna Oltmans, Marcelline Comes, Arlys Erickson, Luella Mattson, Dick Ellis, John Kinyon, Tom Campbell, Oscar Lund, Richard Dodd, Jim Weaver, Ronnie Riggs, Jim Johnson, Jacquie Olsen, Ann Hurtt, Jo Blue, Carol DeHaai, Connie Knutson.

SECOND ROW: Lois Kellogg, Irene Lawrence, Donna Burckhard, Bonita Kelley, Dava Heigh, Shirley Hebert, Rosalie Vance, David Wickstrom, George Lewton, Stephen Sisk, Steve Jones, Eugene Gordon, Gary Miller, Jim Castonguay, Joy Christensen, Rochelle Noss, Marjory Burnham, Sharon Buttemeier, Sharon Smythe, Mary Ellen DeHaai.

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NOT PICTURED: JoAnn Hanson,

Selections from the "Messiah" were presented at the Christmas concert, one of the three public appearances of the Choir. The 64 members, under the direction of Charles Thielen, were invited to sing several numbers at the evening Black Hills Vocal Festival concert, where they also participated in individual and massed groups. The "finale" for the Choir activities was the spring vocal concert composed of novelty and religious selections.

Chosen as Officers of the Choir were Jacqueline Olsen, assistant librarian; Marjory Burnham, robe mistress; Bunny Bekken, librarian; John Kinyon, president; Tom Campbell, secretary.











# Night of January 16th

"The court will please rise. This is the case of the state of New York versus Karen Andre," were the words which set the scene for the junior class production, "Night of January 16th."

The plot unfolded as the succession of witnesses took the stand and presented the case to the jury drawn from the audience.

The play was presented February 15th and 16th, under the direction of Noel Wallace.

## PRODUCTION STAFF

Jerry Ainsworth, Bob Collins, Mary Ellen DeHaai, Richard Dodd, Carroll Hurd, Karen White, Richard White.



## CAST MEMBERS

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Aletha Buchholtz  
Marjory Burnham  
Mike Butterfield  
Tom Campbell  
Verla Carstensen  
Martha Clark  
Karen Crowner  
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Kathleen Kennedy  
George Lewton  
Jim McCleave  
Bill McQuigan  
JoAnn McLaughlin  
Gary Miller  
Larry Nelson  
Jerry Trier  
Venita Willey  
Phil Wyne





## Forensics

Ten SHS seniors and juniors were selected to attend the Black Hills Student Congress. The mock Senators and Representatives debated bills of national, state, and local interest. Clarence Brammer accompanied the group to Lead where it is held annually. The selected group, pictured at left were Ann Hurtt, Jo Blue, Sharon Buttemeier, John Kinyon, Karen Crowner, Tom Campbell, Mike Butterfield, Jerry Trier, Marjory Burnham, and Larry Nelson.



Representing SHS at the District Declamation Contest were Jim Castonguay, Oratory; Jo Blue, Poetry; George Lewton, Humorous; Vernelle Ice, Dramatic. (Pictured at left.)



Debaters rolled up a very successful season, though the majority of them were inexperienced. The team consisting of Jerry Trier, Jim McCleave, John Kinyon, and Bill McGuigan (shown seated at right) won fourth place in the State Class B Debate Tournament held in Huron.

Other members of Debate Squad are: standing, Jay Betts, Bill Brown, Wayne Wendell, Ronnie Riggs, Bee Mitchell, LaVon Cundy, and Mary Craig. (Not pictured Morris Mikkelsen).

John Kinyon, pictured in upper right, won first place in the Class B Boys Extemporaneous Speaking at the State Tournament.





# Little Women

## Senior Class Play



Pictured above are Richard Ellis as Mr. March, JoAnn Hanson as Jo, Coleen Dittus as Amy, Marcelline Comes as Meg, Rosalie Vance as Beth, Ann Hurtt as Marmee, and Kay Eddy as Hannah. Jo Blue is shown in the role of Jo with her sisters and mother at left. JoAnn Hanson and Jo Blue shared the role of Jo, each girl playing the part in one evening performance.

Below are shown members of the production staff with the other cast members, who include Ted Hovland as Mr. Lawrence, Bob Antrim as Professor Bhaer, Sharon Smythe as Aunt March, Jim Gadsden as Mr. Brook, James Castonguay as Laurie, and Lois Jones Kellogg, Joy Christensen, Georgia Soliday and Vernelle Ice as visitors at the March home.

The play was under the direction of Clarence Brammer.







Above are shown the 1956 initiates of Quill and Scroll, left to right: Noel Wallace, Bob Collins, Jim Johnson, Jim McCleave, Roger Bell, Tom Campbell, Jean Anderson, Lorna Oltmans, Mary Ellen DeHaai, Rosalie Vance, Georgia Soliday, Dorothy Julius, Karen Crowner, Coleen Dittus.

To become a member of Quill and Scroll, International Honorary Society for High School Journalists, is the goal of the students interested in journalism. Active members include Jacquie Olsen, president; Carol DeHaai, first vice-president; Joy Christensen, second vice-president; Ann Hurtt, secretary; Jo Blue, treasurer. Mrs. Georgia Hanson is the adviser.

## National Thespians

Below are shown the Thespian initiates; back row: Noel Wallace, Jerry Trier, Mike Butterfield, George Lewton, Larry Nelson, Roger Dingeman. Front row: LaVon Cundy, Martha Clark, Marjory Burnham, Sharon Smythe, JoAnn Hanson, Carol DeHaai. Active Thespians, not pictured, are, Jo Blue, Tom Campbell, Joy Christensen, Marcie Comes, Coleen Dittus, Ann Hurtt, Jim Johnson, John Kinyon, Bill McGuigan, Jacquie Olsen, Rosalie Vance, Jerry Wickstrom, Richard White.

George Lewton received the Oscar and Marjory Burnham the Oscarette for their performances in the junior class play. JoAnn Hanson was chosen outstanding Thespian by a faculty committee. The group is sponsored by Mr. Clarence Brammer.

Noel Wallace, faculty member, became an honorary member of both Thespians and Quill and Scroll.







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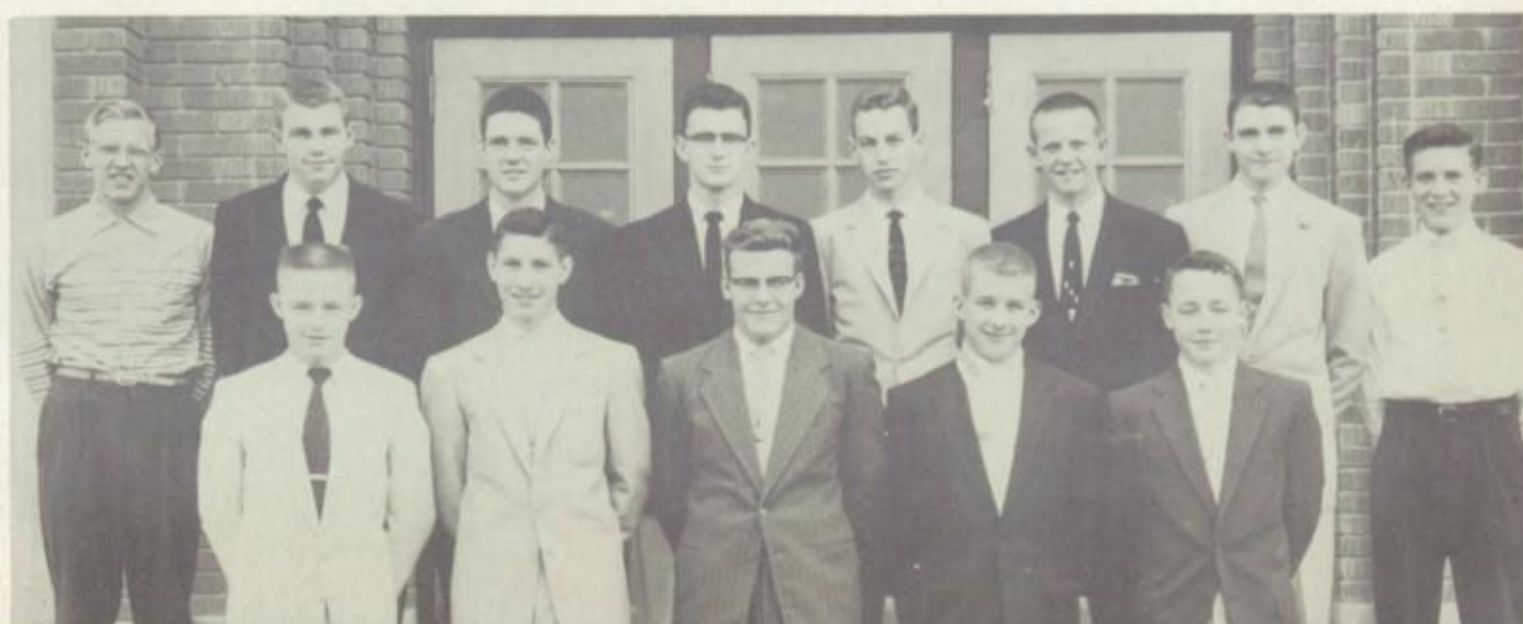
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## Track - 1956

Tracksters Mike Butterfield, Dick Ellis, John Kinyon, and Joe Termes comprised both the Mile relay team and the 880-yard relay team. At the state meet they copped fourth place in the 880, and fifth in the mile. Roger Bell and Jerry Trier competed in the high jump and mile run respectively at the state track meet.

Only two seniors, Dick Ellis and Clifford Ullarich, were out for track. Dick was elected co-captain, and is a four-year letter winner. Mike Butterfield was the other co-captain.

Dudley Melichar was the track coach.

## Junior Senior Prom

Joy Christensen and Jim Gadsden were crowned prom queen and king by John Kinyon and Karen Crouner. The Junior-Senior Prom was based on the theme, "The Sea Around Us."







Planning the Thespians activities are officers Joy Christensen, secretary; Jo Blue, president; Marcelline Comes, treasurer; and Jerry Wickstrom, vice president.

## Thespians

To promote an interest in dramatics is the goal of the Thespians, who again became an active organization this year under the sponsorship of Clarence Brammer. Sponsoring of two one-act plays, "The Valiant" and "The Ugly Duckling", was the biggest project for the season. A banquet and initiation was held in the Spring for Understudies and those earning the required points to become Thespians.

## Camera Club

That pictures with a touch of professional ability could be obtained for use in the Spartan was one of the reasons for the reorganization of the one-year old Camera Club.

The club was co-sponsored by Mrs. Myrle Hanson, advisor of the Spartan, and Josef Fassbender, of the Black Hills Studios, who gave several lectures on photography to the group.



Student shutterbugs who led the Camera Club were Jerry Trier, vice-president; Dorothy Julius, secretary-treasurer; and Oscar Lund, president.



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# F. H. A.



With the help of the home-making teacher, Mrs. Mary Cross, the Future Homemakers of America prepared and served a supper for their guests which will bring many Moments to Remember.

Membership in FHA is limited to senior high girls with one year of homemaking. Standing in the above picture are Alberta Larive, parliamentarian; Karen Crowner, vice-president; Sharon Buttemeier, song leader; Sharon Winter, reporter. Seated are Emily Norlin, historian; Mary Ann Larson, secretary; Jean Anderson, president; Venita Willey, treasurer.

# F.T.A.



Helping with the grade school concert and preparing and serving a dinner afforded many Moments to Remember for the Lookout Chapter of the Future Teachers of America. Also on the agenda for this group was helping the PTA and participating in SDEA.

The officers of FTA during the 1955-56 school year were Dorothy Julius, secretary; Gay McVey, librarian; Sharon Smythe, vice-president; Marcelline Comes, president; Jean Anderson, treasurer; Mary Craig, musician; Carolyn Ford, historian.



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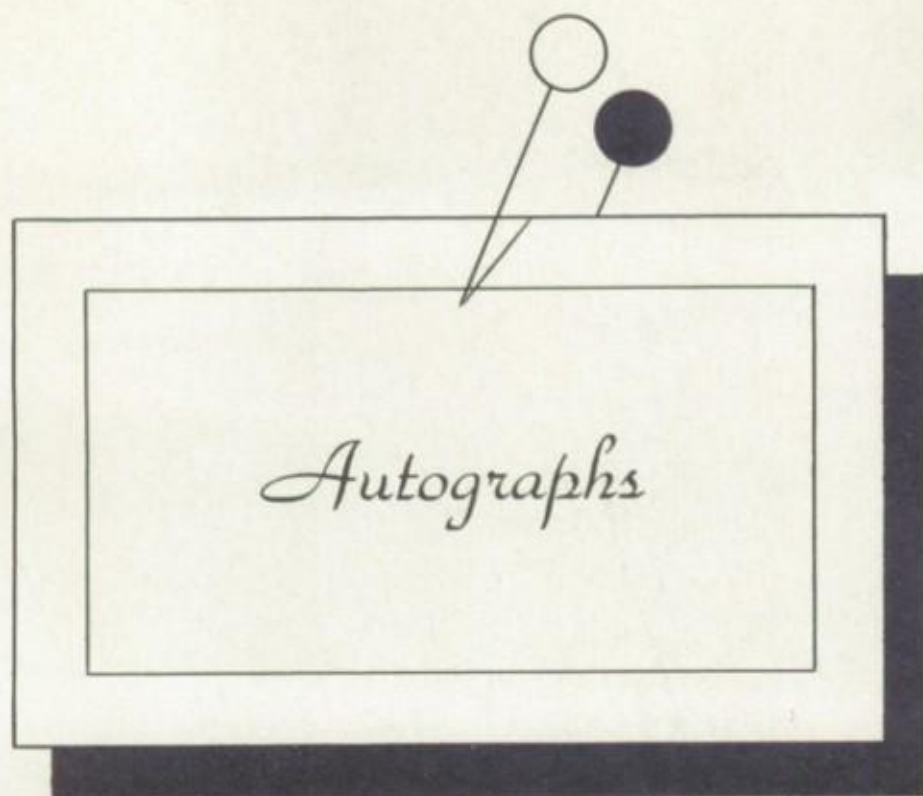
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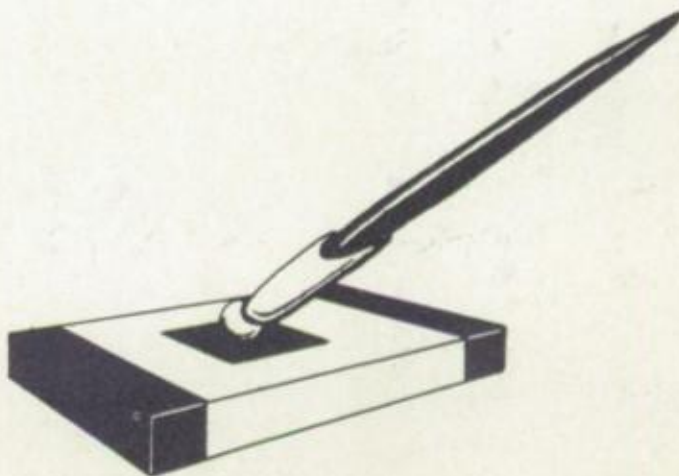
Hi Sharon,  
Remember all the  
times we've went  
from your house  
to mine and back  
again. Never forget  
our nick names  
and all the fun  
we've had.

Good Luck in  
the future.

Love,  
Sharon

Carolyn:  
Behave yourself  
in the years to  
come, and take  
good care of Bob.  
Lots of luck to  
a cute and sweet  
gal.

Daren Pummel  
Sr. 1956-57





Carolyn is  
very much  
can say much  
best of the remainder  
of your time here.  
Love  
Sara

## Autographs

Carolyn,  
We've sure had a lot  
of fun together in school and  
in band. I hope you have  
a lot of fun in the future.  
Good luck to a swell gal.

Love,  
Lynn

Hi Carolyn,  
You have to write  
to me to give me a  
great gal! I gave you a  
ride in my car! you gal  
See Love (stamps)

Dear Carolyn,  
Don't know you  
to well, but what  
I do I enjoy. Best  
of Luck to a swell  
kid.

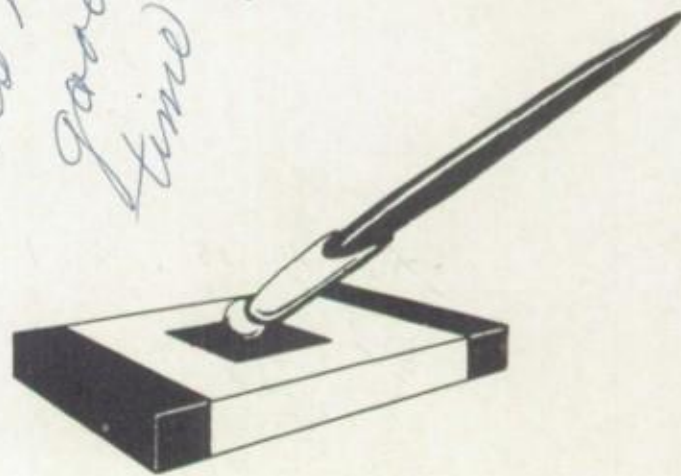
A friend  
"Lita"  
Buck

Dear Carolyn,

ate much to say  
It seems whenever  
I start to do this there

ed nothing to say but  
good luck for a long  
time (you cute kid).

Love Lanni.





Went riding the road  
Dinner at 10:30  
Back to a  
back to a

Risky  
19.

Hand made  
cut to  
on David  
Good P.  
Francis  
class  
Hart

Edith  
Remember all the fun we  
had together especially  
in Spanish class. Be  
careful and good luck

"Betty",  
Candy

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LINCOLN 8, NEBRASKA



Carolyn,

I'll forever  
more! By the  
way thanks alot  
for walking me  
home from work  
that night - !

Remember our  
dear old gym class,  
& all the fun we  
always had!  
Not only in class  
but all the time!

I'll forever  
I better stop - for  
good luck to a  
peach of a friend -  
Just me.

Erin

Carolyn

I hope you  
do okay in the  
rest of your school  
years and other  
years to come.  
Bon

Hi!  
Here's luck to you  
in everything you do.  
I'm not really a  
pack it just came  
out that way -  
Good Luck.  
Elinor Ichar

Carolyn,  
It has been a  
pleasure and always  
will be knowing you.  
Remember all the good  
times we've had in '55 & '56.  
Keep that friendly smile and  
your good looks and you'll  
go a long ways. Be care-  
ful & don't fall into any man-  
traps! (Just teasing)  
Good luck to a wonderful gal!  
A friend (I hope)  
Danna Faye



Carolyn,  
Here's to an  
interesting girl.  
J M

Hi Kid?  
I will always  
remember good old  
Español. We sure didn't  
learn much, that's what  
we are finding out  
now. I have a darn  
lot of fun this year.  
Be Good!!  
Your friend,  
Lue (Carmencita)

Hi, "Lays!"  
Remember me!  
Don't ever  
forget all of the fun we  
have had in gym class  
and all of the fun we  
hope to have. Good  
luck + "bye" it  
on the way!  
(I hope!) I am  
a friend

**Casey Jones**

Here's to you  
and here's to me  
and hope we never  
disagree, but if we  
do here's to me and  
to heaven with you.

*[Signature]*

Dear Carolyn, cutie  
Don't have to much  
to say remember all  
of our fights Best of  
luck to a real cutie  
kid with a figure.  
Take it easy with  
the the boys  
Love ya  
Shylla  
Truth



